

What is claimed is:

1        1.    An article comprising a medium storing  
2        instructions that enable a first processor-based system to:  
3                set up an on-line meeting with a second  
4        processor-based system;  
5                receive data from the second processor-based  
6        system related to information to be transmitted;  
7                determine whether the information is cached; and  
8                retrieve the cached information if the  
9        information was cached.

1        2.    An article as recited in claim 1 wherein the  
2        medium storing instructions further stores instructions  
3        that enable a first processor-based system to receive an  
4        image identifier.

1        3.    An article as recited in claim 2 wherein the  
2        medium storing instructions further stores instructions  
3        that enable a first processor-based system to determine  
4        whether the image identifier identifies cached information.

1        4.    An article as recited in claim 3 wherein the  
2        medium storing instructions further stores instructions  
3        that enable a first processor-based system to receive a  
4        portion of a downloaded image.

1        5.    An article as recited in claim 1 wherein the  
2        medium storing instructions further stores instructions  
3        that enable a first processor-based system to determine a  
4        state of the second processor-based system and flush cached  
5        information depending on the state of the second processor-  
6        based system.

1           6.    An article as recited in claim 5 wherein the  
2 medium storing instructions further stores instructions  
3 that enable a first processor-based system to determine  
4 whether the second processor-based system is in a state  
5 which allows images to be altered and if so to flush the  
6 cached information.

1           7.    An article as recited in claim 1 wherein the  
2 medium storing instructions further stores instructions  
3 that enable a first processor-based system to send to the  
4 second processor-based system a request for information on  
5 the state of the second processor-based system and to  
6 receive data from the second processor-based system  
7 concerning its state and to flush cached information  
8 depending on the state of the second processor-based  
9 system.

1           8.    An article as recited in claim 1 wherein the  
2 medium storing instructions further stores instructions  
3 that enable a first processor-based system to download  
4 information from the second processor-based system if the  
5 information is not cached.

1           9.    An article as recited in claim 8 wherein the  
2 medium storing instructions further stores instructions  
3 that enable a first processor-based system to cache the  
4 downloaded information.

1           10.   An article as recited in claim 9 wherein the  
2 medium storing instructions further stores instructions

3 that enable a first processor-based system to associate the  
4 cached information with an identifier.

1 11. An article as recited in claim 10 wherein the  
2 medium storing instructions further stores instructions  
3 that enable a first processor-based system to associate the  
4 cached information with an identifier included with said  
5 data.

1 12. A processor-based system comprising:  
2 a processor; and  
3 a data storage medium coupled to said processor  
4 and storing instructions enabling said processor to set up  
5 an on-line meeting with a remote processor-based system,  
6 receive data from the remote processor-based system related  
7 to information to be transmitted, determine whether the  
8 information is cached, and retrieve the cached information  
9 if the information was cached.

1 13. A processor-based system as recited in claim 12  
2 wherein the data storage medium further stores instructions  
3 enabling the processor to receive an image identifier.

1 14. A processor-based system as recited in claim 13  
2 wherein the data storage medium further stores instructions  
3 enabling the processor to determine whether the image  
4 identifier identifies cached information.

1 15. A processor-based system as recited in claim 14  
2 wherein the data storage medium further stores instructions  
3 enabling the processor to receive a portion of a downloaded  
4 image.

1        16. A processor-based system as recited in claim 12  
2 wherein the data storage medium further stores instructions  
3 enabling the processor to determine a state of the remote  
4 processor-based system and flush cached information  
5 depending of the state of the remote processor-based  
6 system.

1        17. A processor-based system as recited in claim 16  
2 wherein the data storage medium further stores instructions  
3 enabling the processor to determine whether the remote  
4 processor-based system is in a state which allows images to  
5 be altered and if so to flush the cached information.

1        18. A processor-based system as recited in claim 12  
2 wherein the data storage medium further stores instructions  
3 enabling the processor to download information for the  
4 remote processor-based system if the information is not  
5 cached.

1        19. A processor-based system as recited in claim 18  
2 wherein the data storage medium further stores instructions  
3 enabling the processor to cache the downloaded information.

1        20. A processor-based system as recited in claim 19  
2 wherein the data storage medium further stores instructions  
3 enabling the processor to associate the cached information  
4 with an identifier.

1        21. A processor-based system as recited in claim 20  
2 wherein the data storage medium further stores instructions

3 enabling the processor to associate the cached information  
4 with an identifier included with said data.

1 22. An article comprising a medium storing  
2 instructions that enable a first processor-based system to:  
3 set up an on-line meeting with a second  
4 processor-based system;  
5 send data to the second processor-based system  
6 related to information to be transmitted; and  
7 transmit the information to the second processor-  
8 based system in response to a request from the second  
9 processor-based system.

1 23. An article as recited in claim 22 wherein the  
2 medium storing instructions further stores instructions  
3 that enable a first processor-based system to send data to  
4 the second processor-based system concerning whether a  
5 cache of the second processor-based system should be  
6 flushed.

1 24. A method comprising:  
2 setting up an on-line meeting with a processor-  
3 based system;  
4 receiving data from the processor-based system  
5 related to information to be transmitted;  
6 determining whether the information is cached;  
7 and  
8 retrieving the cached information if the  
9 information was cached.

1 25. The method of claim 24 further comprising  
2 determining a state of the processor-based system and

3 flushing cached information depending on the state of the  
4 processor-based system.

1 26. The method of claim 25 including determining  
2 whether the processor-based system is in a state which  
3 allows images to be altered and if so flushing the cached  
4 information.

1 27. The method of claim 25 further comprising  
2 flushing cached information in response to data received  
3 from the processor-based system.

1 28. An article comprising a medium storing  
2 instructions that enable a first processor-based system to:  
3 set up an on-line meeting with a second  
4 processor-based system;  
5 receive data from the second processor-based  
6 system;  
7 compare the received data with cached data; and  
8 replace the cached data with received data if the  
9 received data differs from corresponding cached data.

1 29. An article as recited in claim 28 further  
2 comprising instructions that enable a first processor-based  
3 system to display a warning that the received data may  
4 differ from the cached data until the comparison is  
5 complete.

1 30. An article as recited in claim 28 further  
2 comprising instructions that enable a first processor-based  
3 system to morph a display of cached data into a display of  
4 received data.